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Post-Construction Report

Date: November 21, 2014

Re: **DOCKET NO. 429** - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at one of two sites: Willington Tax Assessor Parcel ID #M23-P62 Tolland Turnpike, Willington, Connecticut; or Willington Tax Assessor Parcel ID #M18-19 Old South Willington Road, Willington, Connecticut.

In this docket, AT&T proposed building a telecommunications facility at one of two sites. AT&T, was the party and two neighbors of the site on Old South Willington Road, Robert and Marissa Golden, were intervenors in this proceeding. Of the two sites proposed, the Council approved a 160-foot tower at the location off of Tolland Turnpike on February 7, 2013. The facility's Development and Management Plan was approved on May 30, 2013.

I visited this site on November 20, 2014. At the time of my visit, all site construction work was completed. The tower was erected. The compound was well graveled and enclosed by an eight-foot chain link fence. All utilities were hooked up. There were six meter placements on the compound's utility board with one meter in place for AT&T. Inside the compound, there was a shelter for AT&T's ground equipment and a diesel generator for backup power.

This facility is located on a small rise, which makes the access road steep in places. The access road was well graveled and riprap had been placed along the edges of the road to create drainage swales. There were no signs of erosion at the time of my visit.

The tower is visible from portions of Route 74 (Tolland Turnpike) traveling east and west bound. These views are intermittent and quickly passed by motorists. It is also visible from Willington's historic green, at least at this time of year, and from an old cemetery to the north of AT&T's facility. But the distances at which the tower is visible and the tower's low height above the tree line makes it an unobtrusive presence on the horizon.

Conditions observed at the site at the time of my visit conformed to the approved D&M plans.

View of tower



View of base compound



Looking Down the Access Road



AT&T Equipment Shelter



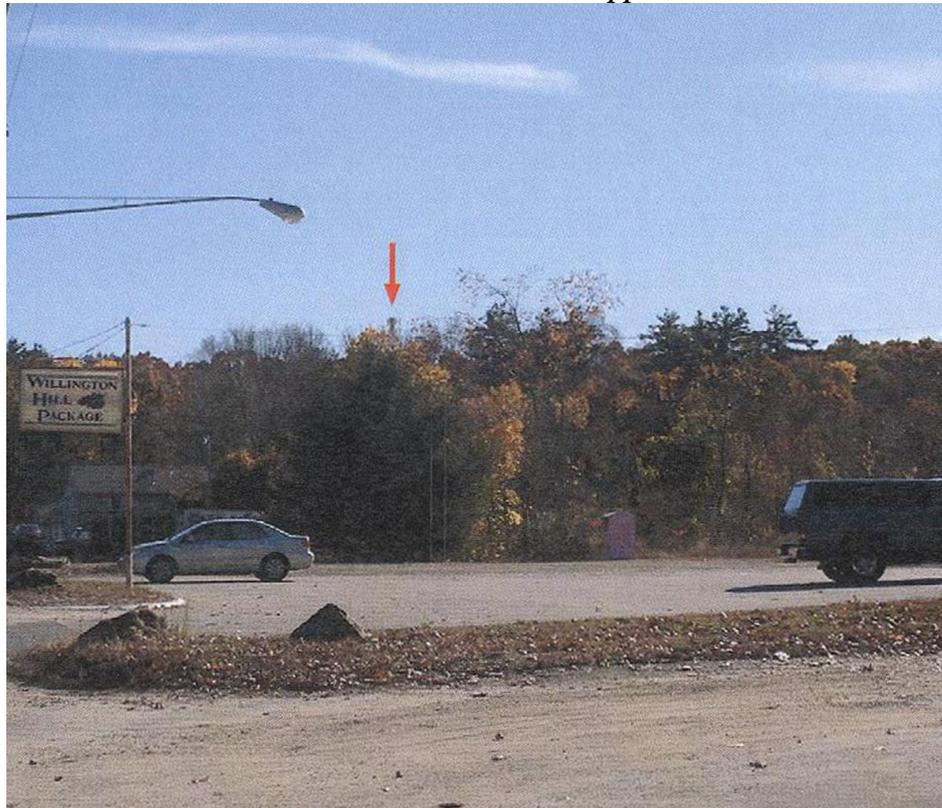
AT&T Backup Generator



View of tower from Tolland Turnpike, looking east



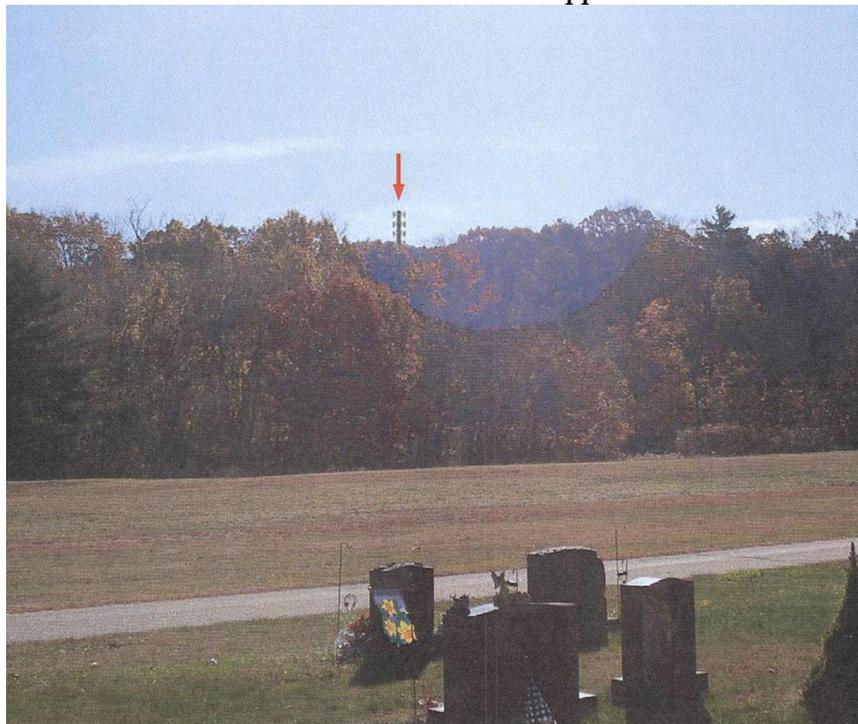
Photosimulation from docket application



View of tower from old cemetery, looking south



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View of tower from Willington Green, looking west



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View of tower from Willington Greet, looking west



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